IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL REVISION APPLICATION NO.214 OF 2004

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Ved Bhushan Batas ...Applicant

v/s.

The State of Maharashtra

and anr. ...Respondents

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Mr.V.V.Punwani with Mr.V.N.Shingnapurkar for the Applicant.

Mr.K.V.Saste, APP for the State.

Mr.D.N.Salvi for Respondent No.2.

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CORAM: A.M.KHANWILKAR, J.

DATED: 29TH OCTOBER,2004

P.C.:

Heard the Counsel for the Applicant. I see no reason

to depart from the approach adopted by the court below in rejecting the application preferred by the Applicant for discharge. The court below has rightly observed that there is some evidence to proceed against the Applicant. In any case, the Apex court has observed in the case of **Satya Narayan Sharma v/s. State of Rajasthan, reported in AIR 2001 SC 2856** that the court has no power to stay the proceedings under the provisions of Prevention of Corruption Act.

2. In the circumstances, the appropriate order that can be passed in this petition is to direct the trial court to dispose of the trial as expeditiously as possible, preferably within one year from the date of receipt of writ of this order.

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